

remain at home until they are in a deplorable physical condition or in abject poverty, by which time other members of the family have become affected.

The special committee recommended to McCormick changes which James Minnick, secretary of the special committee, says are the minimum requirements necessary to properly take care of tuberculosis cases.

The question is: "Will the changes be made or will Cook county continue to be criminally careless in its treatment of the tuberculosis patients at the county institutions?"

#### COUNTY ARCHITECT SCHMIDT MAY LOSE FAT FEES

The Democratic majority on the County Board is planning to save almost \$100,000 a year by making the county architect's job a salaried one and abolishing the fees.

It is said that Richard Schmidt, who was appointed county architect by President McCormick, has made \$75,881 in seven months on the job and stands a good chance of making \$73,532 on pending construction work.

The plan to abolish the fees will probably be fought by McCormick and the Progressive members of the board, but the legal right of the majority to place the job on a salary basis is sustained by State's Attorney Hoyne.

The new finance committee held its first meeting yesterday. Commissioner Frank Ragen announced that with the new committee there would be no more star chamber sessions and the public would know everything that was going on.

#### TEACHERS WANT BETTER PAY

The Chicago Teachers' Federation has started a campaign for a general increase in salaries for teachers in elementary schools. A special committee has been appointed for this purpose. The increase, according to

the schedule, will mean an annual expenditure of \$1,000,000 by 1916.

The schedule calls for an average increase of \$100 a year for the 5,000 elementary school teachers. A minimum of \$750 and a maximum of \$1,500 is asked. At the present time it is \$650 and \$1,200.

According to Miss Margaret Haley, business agent of the Teachers' Federation Mrs. Young has committed herself to an increase of pay for elementary teachers.

#### SENATE ASPIRANTS TO TALK AT PUBLIC MEETING

The Austin Progressive Democratic Club has arranged for a public meeting next Tuesday evening, January 6, in the assembly hall of the Key school, to give citizens of Austin a chance to hear from candidates for the Democratic nomination for United States senator. The speakers will be John Z. White of Chicago and Carl Vrooman of Bloomington. The Key school is on Parkside (formerly Park) avenue, near the corner of Race avenue (formerly Ohio street). All are invited; women especially welcome.

The Austin Progressive Democratic Club is a new organization, the object of which is "to promote the nomination and election of a progressive Democrat, in sympathy with the policies of Wilson and Bryan, as the next United States senator from Illinois, the first to be chosen by the method of direct popular election." The officers of the club are: W. H. Holly, president; E. J. Raber, secretary; Frank J. Hurley, treasurer; executive committee—George C. Sikes, chairman; L. S. Allen, Charles G. Griffiths, W. F. Daggett, William Ritchie, Claude Dyckmann, John S. Brown.

Chicago women who want places on election boards are answering "yes" to the question, "Are you the chief or head of a family?" Wait till the hubbies get wise to this.